GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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CNG DISPENSING UNITS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether CNG operated compressor and heavy duty dispensing units of CNG have reduced the cost of dispensing and have increased the efficiency of CNG online stations;

(b) if so, the number of online stations facilities on IOCL petrol pump having separate electricity meter or CNG have been closed in Delhi due to disputes of sanctioning the amount less than the actual electricity charges by IGL;

(c) whether the suffering of public shall still have to face more inconvenience caused due to indifferent attitude by the IGL authorities;

(d) whether the Government propose to pass necessary directions to restart the closed facilities of such online station by installing CNG and compressor and heavy duty dispensing units having low cost of dispensing;

(e) if not, the reasons for closing the existing facilities and installing new facilities; and

(f) the action taken/proposed to be taken against the officers found responsible for causing unnecessary harassment to the motoring public?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e) 5 retail outlets of IOC have online CNG dispensing facilities.The compressors at these stations are having electric motor drive. The payment by IGL to Oil Marketing Companies for electricity charges is on average basis.Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL) pays electricity charges to the Oil Marketing Companies on average basis and not on actual electricity consumption basis.The average electricity charges per kg of CNG produced has been worked out by a committee comprising representatives of Oil Marketing Companies. As such there is no discrimination.

One IOC dealer namely I.P. Service Station was not satisfied with this amount and unilaterally decided to deduct higher electricity charges. Supplies to the concerned dealer were temporarily suspended. Supplies have since been restored from 9th July.

(f) As there has been no malafide on the part of any official, there is no question of taking action against any official.